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REVOLUTIONARY FRONT FOR INDEPENDENT EAST TIMOR

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The Voice of Popular-Maubere Resistance

TO THE CHIEF COLLEAGUE
AND ALSO MEMBERS OF D.F.S.E.

INFORMATION:

1. New military operations in East Timor.

Mr. Benny Moerdani with his Jakarta Generals are commencing new military operations, with new plans and new tactics in East Timor. The primary objective of these new operations is to capture alive at all costs the Supreme Commander of the guerillas, Comrade Kairala Xanana Gusmao. Nevertheless it was a final recommendation by Benny Moerdani to his compatriot, Colonel Soenarto, who occupies the position of Commander of Operations, to not seek to capture him (Xanana) alive, but at the very least eliminate him.

In the middle of the past month, in the ports of Cais, Dili, Lautem, and Lospalos they have disembarked troops. At the beginning of this month in the Kebayoran military Airport at Jakarta, there was much movement of mobilisation of troops, cargoes of munitions, and rations for combat by Hercules military aircraft, which were destined for the Airport at Baucau.

On the 11th and 12th of this month, about 1,000 soldiers from the red berets arrived by Hercules military aircraft at the Baucau military airport, where they began to follow out the military plan of the new operations, by creating a central base to support the military transport, of tanks, helicopters, and bombers, that will be part of the various operations. The operation has been more intensive and active in the areas of Lospalos.

Yesterday on the 13th July'87, Colonel Soenato of the Red Berets arrived in East Timor from a Garuda flight, in order to take command of the new military operation. Benny Moerdani has made a promise to Colonel Soenato to promote him to Major-General for the capture or elimination of Xanana.

One of the tactics employed in the operations is to establish a new dialogue with the guerillas through the intermediary of the church. In the dialogue plan they may be able to have the advantage at that time as being the greatest opportunity of taking Xanana alive, or eliminating him, the situation has some disagreement on the part of the guerillas with the Indonesian Commandos. In order to attain this objective, it is declared to Moerdani in front of his officials, the price for Xanana is valued at hundreds and thousands of Indonesian soldiers, and that they will have to be prepared to sacrifice the lives of their soldiers. It will add still more to that value by the penalty of thousands of dead soldiers in exchange for Xanana and his bodyguard.

2. Political Prisoners.

a. Martinho Rodigues Pereira, political prisoner with a four year sentence, was liberated from Cipinang-Jatinegara Prison at Jakatra on 30th June, and taken before the Tim-Tim Perwakilan (agency) in Jakarta, where he received by the person in charge of the perwakilan and some Javanese. In order to console

him they gave him some clothes and money, afterwards they took him to Timor.

b. Domingas da Costa, a prisoner in Tangerang-Jakarta, 3rd July'87, was transferred to Comarco-Dili Prison, where he still has to complete two more years in prison.

3. Proposal.

To the Chief colleague and other members of D.F.S.E. we propose that it would be better in the case of the four compatriot students in Jakarta that they make a submission to an International Tribunal to get a resolution, seeing that the secret conversations between Portugal and Indonesia have not produced any satisfactory results. We had hoped that maybe some contract would have been made between the two countries, but it has had no benefit for Fretilin or the four compatriots. It is probable that Indonesia is playing a game to some extent on the subject of money, because an exit by the four at that time would have been a political defeat for them in the eyes of world opinion.

In conclusion, to the Chief colleague and other members of D.F.S.E. go our revolutionary greetings.

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